Mr. I. C. Chacko: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) About 9 months.

(*c*) Yes.

Improving and repairing the dam below the Erappupalam.

72. ***Mr. K. Shahul Hameed:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether tenders had been invited in 1119 for the work of improving and repairing the dam below the Erappu palam across the Mamom river in Chirayinkil taluk;

(*b*) with whom has the work been entrusted; and

(*c*) when would the work be completed?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No tender was received and hence work could not be arranged.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of answer to (b).

Amount allotted for Maramat Department.

73. ***Mr. A. N. Satyanesan:** Will the Government be pleased to state the amount allotted for Maramat Department and the amount actually spent by the Department in 1119?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: The total grant allotted in 1119 for Maramat works including the amount sanctioned for Devaswom Maramat works is Rs. 3,19,477. The amount actually spent by the Maramat Section of the P. W. D. can be ascertained only after the supplemental accounts are closed.

Kuttapuzha Canal.

74. ***Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker** (*Mavelikara and Tiruvalla cum Pattanamthitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether provision was made in the budgets of last five years for opening Kuttapuzha canal in Tiruvalla taluk;

(*b*) the amounts alloted and spent each year from 1939;

(*c*) the probable area of paddy land that may be benefited by the flow of water through this canal; and

(*d*) the probable year when the work will be completed?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Vide *statement attached.

(*c*) 2216 acres.

(*d*) It is not possible to say now.

Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker: May I know from the honourable member whether the lands necessary to open the canal have already been acquired?

*Vide Appendix- I.

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Mr. I. C. Chacko: Yes, Sir.

Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker: May I know from the honourable member whether the work is in progress?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: Very little work is in progress because there is difficulty in getting sluice gates and other materials which are not made in India.

Foot bridge and protective walls in front of the M. H. School, Thalavady.

75. ***Mr. N. Narayana Kurup**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the P. W. D. Advisory Committee has approved and sanctioned a foot bridge and protective walls in front of the M. H. School, Thalavady;

(*b*) if so, when was it approved;

(*c*) whether any work has been begun; and

(*d*) if not, why it is delayed?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: (*a*) No.

(*b*) to (d) do not arise in view of the answer to part (a).

Police Officers.

76. ***Mr. A. N. Satyanesan**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Police Officers who suffered physical injuries in the course of their duties in 1119;

(*b*) the measures adopted by Government for the better protection of the Police Officers; and

(c) the nature and amount of compensation granted to the victims or their families in 1119?

Mr. S. Parthasarathy Iyengar (*Inspector-General of Police*): (*a*) Eight (8).

(*b*) Police Officers have been specially instructed to go fully armed when they are out on perilous duties.

(*c*) There was only one case calling for such reliefs and the following reliefs were granted:—

(i) To award posthumously "His Highness the Maharaja's Police Medal" for gallantry.

(ii) The grant of a compassionate allowance of Rs. (12) twelve per mensem to the mother of the deceased officer.

(iii) The grant of a compassionate allowance of Rs. (20) twenty per mensem to the widow of the Officer for life, the allowance being terminable in case she re-marries.

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Appendix I.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 74.**

Kuttapuzha Canal.

Year.	Budget grant	Expenditure.	Remarks.
1115	8,000	677	
1116	24,000	8	
1117	10,000	1748	
1118	10,000	...	
1119	12,000	... *	*Can be furnished only after the supplemental accounts are closed.

Appendix II.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 80.**

In April 1940 the Travancore University Muslim Endowment Committee promised an Endowment of Rs. 50,000 for the purpose of encouraging Islamic Studies in the University. The President of the Committee remitted by instalments the endowment promised and the payment was completed by the end of January 1943. In addition to the Rupees 50,000 paid by the Committee, a sum of Rs. 50,000 was paid by Government as their contribution. There is thus a sum of Rs. 1,00,000 under this endowment.

At the suggestion of Rajyasevapravina Khan Bahadur G. S. Abdul Karim, President of the Travancore University Muslim Endowment Committee, a small committee consisting of the following persons was constituted to draft a scheme for the institution of Islamic Studies in the University.

1. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Chairman).
2. Dr. Hadi Hassan, M. A. (Cantab) Ph. D., Head of the Persian Department, Muslim University, Aligarh.
3. Moulana Syed Sulaiman Nadvi, Darul Musonnifine, Azengah, U. P.
4. Dr. Abdul Haq, Principal, Government Mohammedan College, Madras.
5. Rao Sahib C. S. Srinivasachari, Professor, Annamalai University, and
6. Rajyasevapravina Khan Bahadur G. S. Abdul Karim Sahib Suhrawardy, M. B. E. (Convener).

This committee prepared a Scheme for the Institution of Islamic Studies and the utilization of the proceeds of this endowment. But the proposals of this Committee were found to be unsuitable and inadequate and they are therefore being considered again by the Muslim Endowment Committee.

The final recommendations of this Committee have not yet been received.

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